

7. To form metals to a proper degree of hardness.  
The sword  
Of Michael from the armour of God  
Was given him temper'd so, that neither keen  
Nor solid might resist that edge. *Milton.*  
In the tempering of steel, by holding it but a minute or  
two longer or lesser in the other competent heat, gives it very  
differing tempers as to brittleness or toughness. *Boyle.*  
Repeated peals they hear,  
And, in a heav'n serene, resplendent arms appear;  
Red'ning the skies, and glitt'ring all around,  
The temper'd metals clash, and yield a silver sound. *Dryd.*
8. To govern. A latinism.  
With which the damned ghosts he governeth,  
And furies rules, and Tartar tempereth. *Hubbard's Tale.*
- TEMPER. *n. f.* [from the verb.]  
1. Due mixture of contrary qualities.  
Nothing better proveth the excellency of this soil and tem-  
per than the abundant growing of the palm trees. *Raleigh.*  
Health itself is but a kind of temper, gotten and preserved  
by a convenient mixture of contraries. *Arbutnot.*  
2. Middle course; mean or medium.  
If the estates of some bishops were exorbitant before the  
reformation, the present clergy's wishes reach no further than  
that some reasonable temper had been used instead of paring  
them so quick. *Swift's Miscel.*  
3. Constitution of body.  
This body would be increased daily, being supplied from  
above and below, and having done growing, it would be-  
come more dry by degrees, and of a temper of greater con-  
sistency and firmness. *Burnet's Theory of the Earth.*  
4. Disposition of mind.  
Remember with what mild  
And gracious temper he both heard, and judg'd.  
Without wrath or reviling. *Milton's Par. Lost, b. x.*  
This will keep their thoughts easy and free, the only tem-  
per wherein the mind is capable of receiving new infor-  
mations. *Locke on Education.*  
5. Constitutional frame of mind.  
The brain may devise laws for the blood, but a hot temper  
leaps o'er a cold decree. *Shaksp. Merchant of Venice.*  
Our hearts,  
Of brothers temper, do receive you in  
With all kind love. *Shaksp. Julius Caesar.*  
6. Calmness of mind; moderation.  
Restore yourselves unto your tempers, fathers,  
And without perturbation hear me speak. *Benj. Johnson.*  
Teach me, like thee, in various nature wild,  
To fall with dignity, with temper rife. *Pope.*  
7. State to which metals are reduced, particularly as to hard-  
ness.  
Here draw I  
A sword, whose temper I intend to stain  
With the best blood that I can meet withal. *Shaksp.*  
Iturial with his spear  
Touch'd lightly; for no falsehood can endure  
Touch of celestial temper, but returns  
Of force to its own likeness: up he starts,  
Discover'd, and surpriz'd. *Milton's Par. Lost, b. iv.*  
These needles should have a due temper; for if they are  
too soft, the force exerted to carry them through the flesh  
will bend them; if they are too brittle they snap. *Sharp.*
- TEMPERAMENT. *n. f.* [temperamentum, Lat. temperament, Fr.]  
1. Constitution; state with respect to the predominance of any  
quality.  
Bodies are denominated hot and cold in proportion to the  
present temperament of that part of our body to which they  
are applied. *Locke.*  
2. Medium; due mixture of opposites.  
The common law has waited and wrought out those dis-  
tempers, and reduced the kingdom to its just state and tem-  
perament. *Hale.*
- TEMPERAMENTAL. *adj.* [from temperament.] Constitutional.  
That temperamental dignities, and conjecture of preva-  
lent humours, that may be collected from spots in our nails,  
we concede. *Brown's Vulgar Errors.*  
Intellectual representations are received with as unequal a  
fate upon a bare temperamental relish or disgust. *Glauville.*
- TEMPERANCE. *n. f.* [temperantia, Lat.]  
1. Moderation; opposed to gluttony and drunkenness.  
Well observe  
The rule of not too much; by temperance taught  
In what thou eat'st and drink'st; seeking from thence  
Due nourishment, no gluttonous delight. *Milton.*  
Temperance, that virtue without pride, and fortune without  
envy, gives indolence of body and tranquillity of mind;  
the best guardian of youth and support of old age. *Temple.*  
Make temperance thy companion; so shall health  
Sit on thy brow.  
2. Patience; calmness; sedateness; moderation of passion.  
His senseless speech and doted ignorance,  
When as the noble prince had marked well;  
He calm'd his wrath with goodly temperance. *Fa. Qu.*

- TEMPERATE. *adj.* [temperatus, Lat.]  
1. Not excessive; moderate in degree of any quality.  
Use a temperate heat, for they are ever temperate heats that  
digest and mature; wherein we mean temperate according to  
the nature of the subject; for that may be temperate to fruits  
and liquors which will not work at all upon metals. *Bacon.*  
Was airy, light, from pure digestion bred,  
And temperate vapours bland. *Milton.*  
2. Moderate in meat and drink.  
I advised him to be temperate in eating and drinking. *Wifon.*  
3. Free from ardent passion.  
Such temperate order in so fierce a courtier I never saw.  
Doth want example. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
She's not forward, but temperate as the dove. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
She is not hot, but temperate as the morn. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
From temperate inactivity we are unready to put in execu-  
tion the suggestions of reason. *Brown's Vulgar Errors.*
- TEMPERATELY. *adv.* [from temperate.]  
1. Moderately; not excessively.  
By winds that temperately blow, benignate dusts are  
The bark should pass secure and slow. *Addison.*  
2. Calmly; without violence of passion.  
Temperately proceed to what you would. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
Thus violently redress.  
3. Without gluttony or luxury.  
God esteems it a part of his service if we eat or drink;  
so it be temperately, and as may best preserve health. *Taylor.*
- TEMPERATENESS. *n. f.* [from temperate.]  
1. Freedom from excesses; mediocrity.  
2. Calmness; coolness of mind.  
Langley's mild temperateness.  
Did tend unto a calmer quietness. *Daniel's Civil War.*
- TEMPERATURE. *n. f.* [temperatura, tempero, Latin; tempera-  
ture, French.]  
1. Constitution of nature; degree of any qualities.  
It lieth in the same climate, and is of no other temperature  
than Guinea. *Abbot's Description of the World.*  
Birds that change countries at certain seasons, if they come  
earlier, shew the temperature of weather.  
Memory depends upon the confidence and the temperature  
of the brain. *Watts.*  
2. Mediocrity; due balance of contraries.  
As the world's fun doth effects beget  
Different, in divers places ev'ry day;  
Here Autumn's temperature, there Summer's heat  
Here flow'ry Spring-tide, and there Winter gray. *Davies.*  
If, instead of this variation of heat, we suppose an equal-  
ity, or constant temperature of it before the change, the case  
would be much altered. *Woodward's Nat. Hist.*  
3. Moderation; freedom from predominant passion.  
In that proud port which her so goodly grace,  
Most goodly temperature you may defy. *Spenser.*
- TEMPERED. *adj.* [from temper.] Disposed with regard to the  
passions.  
When was my lord so much ungently tempered,  
To stop his ears against admonishment? *Shaksp. As You Like It.*
- TEMPEST. *n. f.* [tempesta, Fr. tempestas, Lat.]  
1. The utmost violence of the wind; the names by which the  
wind is called according to the gradual encrease of its force  
seems to be, a breeze; a gale; a gust; a storm; a tempest.  
I have seen tempests, when the frowning winds  
Have ridd the knotty oaks. *Shaksp. Julius Caesar.*  
Some have been driven by tempest to the south.  
What at first was call'd a gust, the fame  
Hath now a storm's, anon a tempest's name. *Dante.*  
We, caught in a fiery tempest, shall be hurl'd  
Each on his rock transfix'd. *Milton.*  
With clouds and storms  
Around thee thrown, tempest o'er tempest roll'd,  
Thou humblest nature with thy northern blast.  
2. Any tumult; commotion; perturbation.  
The tempest in my mind  
Doth from my senses take all feeling else,  
Save what beats there. *Shaksp. King Lear.*  
To TEMPEST. *v. a.* [from the noun.] To disturb as by a  
tempest.  
Part huge of bulk,  
Wallowing unweildy, enormous in their gait,  
Tempest the ocean.  
Leviathan, in dreadful sport,  
Tempest the loosen'd brine.  
TEMPEST-BEATEN. *v. a.* [Tempest and beat.] Shattered with  
storms.  
In the calm harbour of her gentle breast,  
My tempest-beaten soul may safely rest. *Dryden's Darius.*  
TEMPEST-TOST. *adj.* [tempest and tost.] Driven about by  
storms.  
Though

- Though his bark cannot be lost,  
Yet it shall be tempest-tost. *Shaksp. Macbeth.*
- TEMPESTIVITY. *n. f.* [tempestivus, Lat.] Seasonableness.  
Since their dispersion the constitutions of countries admit  
not such tempestivity of harvest. *Brown's Vulgar Errors.*
- TEMPESTUOUS. *adj.* [tempestuosus, Fr. from tempest.] Stormy;  
turbulent.  
Tempestuous fortune hath spent all her spite,  
And thrilling sorrow thrown his utmost dart. *Fairy Qu.*  
Which of them riling with the fun or falling  
Should prove tempestuous. *Milton.*  
Her looks grow black as a tempestuous wind,  
Some raging thoughts are rowling in her mind. *Dryden.*  
Pompey, when dissuaded from embarking because the wea-  
ther was tempestuous, replied, My voyage is necessary, my  
life is not so. *Collier on the Value of Life.*
- TEMPLE. *n. f.* [from the Temple, a house near the Thames,  
anciently belonging to the knights templars, originally from  
the temple of Jerusalem.] A student in the law.  
Wits and templars ev'ry sentence raise,  
And wonder with a foolish face of praise. *Pope's Epist.*
- TEMPLE. *n. f.* [temple, Fr. templum, Lat.]  
1. A place appropriated to acts of religion.  
The honour'd gods  
Throng our large temple with the flocks of peace. *Shak.*  
Here we have no temple but the wood, no assembly but  
hornsbeats. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
Most sacrilegious murder hath broke ope  
The lord's anointed temple, and stole thence  
The life of th' building. *Shaksp. Macbeth.*  
This guest of Summer,  
The temple haunting martlet. *Shaksp. Macbeth.*
2. [Templa, Latin.] The upper part of the sides of the head  
where the pulse is felt.  
Her sunny locks  
Hang on her temples like a golden fleece. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
We may apply intercepts of malice upon the temples;  
frontals also may be applied. *Weyman's Surgery.*  
To procure sleep, he uses the scratching of the temples and  
ears; that even mollifies wild beasts. *Arbutnot.*  
The weapon enter'd close above his ear,  
Cold through his temples glides the whizzing spear. *Pope.*
- TEMPLET. *n. f.* A piece of timber in a building.  
When you lay any timber on brick-work, as lintels over  
windows, or temples under girders, lay them in locm. *Mexon.*
- TEMPORAL. *adj.* [temporal, Fr. temporalis, low Latin.]  
1. Measured by time; not eternal.  
As there they sustain temporal life, so here they would learn  
to make provision for eternal. *Hosier.*  
2. Secular; not ecclesiastical.  
This scripture shews the force of temporal power,  
The attribute to awe and majesty,  
Wherein doth lie the dread of kings. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
All the temporal lands, which men devout  
By testament have given to the church,  
Would they strip from us. *Shaksp. Henry V.*  
All temporal power hath been wrested from the clergy, and  
much of their ecclesiastick. *Swift.*  
3. Not spiritual.  
Call not every temporal end a defiling of the intention, but  
only when it contradicts the ends of God, or when it is prin-  
cipally intended: for sometimes a temporal end is part of our  
duty; and such are all the actions of our calling. *Taylor.*  
Our petitions to God with regard to temporals, must be  
that medium of convenience proportioned to the several con-  
ditions of life. *Roger's Sermon.*
4. [Temporal, Fr.] Placed at the temples, or upper part of the  
head.  
Copious bleeding, by opening the temporal arteries, are the  
most effectual remedies for a phrensy. *Arbutnot on Aliments.*
- TEMPORALITY. *n. f.* [temporalitas, Fr. from temporal.] Se-  
cular possessions; not ecclesiastick rights.  
Such revenues, lands, and tenements, as bishops have had  
annexed to their sees by the kings and others from time to  
time, as they are barons and lords of the parliament. *Cowel.*  
The residue of these ordinary finances is casual, as the  
temporalities of vacant bishopricks, the profits that grow by  
the tenure of lands. *Bacon.*
- TEMPORALLY. *adv.* [from temporal.] With respect to this  
life.  
Sinners who are in such a temporally happy condition, owe  
it not to their sins, but wholly to their luck. *South.*
- TEMPORALTY. *n. f.* [from temporal.]  
1. The laity; secular people.  
The pope suck'd out ineffimable sums of money, to the  
intolerable grievance of clergy and temporality. *Abbot.*  
2. Secular possessions.  
The king yielded up the point, reserving the ceremony of  
honour from the bishops, in respect of the temporalities, to  
himself. *Ayliffe.*
- TEMPORARINESS. *adj.* [temporis, Lat.] Temporary.  
TEMPORARINESS. [from temporary.] The state of being tem-  
porary; not perpetuity.

- TEMPORARY. *adj.* [tempus, Lat.] Lasting only for a limited  
time.  
These temporary truces were soon made and soon broken;  
he desired a firmer amity. *Bacon's Henry VII.*  
The republic threatened with danger, appointed a tem-  
porary dictator, who, when the danger was over, retired  
again into the community. *Addison.*
- TEMPORIZE. *v. n.* [temporizer, Fr. tempus, Lat.]  
1. To delay; to procrastinate.  
If Cupid had not spent all his quiver in Venice, thou wilt  
quake for this shortly.  
—I look for an earthquake too then.  
—Well, you will temporize with the hours. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*  
The earl of Lincoln deceived of the country's concurrence,  
in which case he would have temporized, resolv'd to give the  
king battle. *Bacon's Henry VII.*
2. To comply with the times or occasions.  
They might their grievance inwardly complain,  
But outwardly they needs must temporize. *Daniel.*
3. To comply: this is improper.  
The dolphin is too wilful opposite,  
And will not temporize with my entreaties:  
He flady says, he'll not lay down his arms. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*
- TEMPORIZER. *n. f.* [temporizer, Fr. from temporize.] One  
that complies with times or occasions; a trimmer.  
I pronounce thee a hovering temporizer, that  
Canst with thine eyes at once see good and evil,  
Inclining to them both. *Shaksp. As You Like It.*
- TEMSE BREAD. *n. f.* [temse, Dutch; temse, Fr. tem-  
se, French; temse, Italian, a sieve.] Bread made of flower  
better sifted than common.
- TO TEMPT. *v. a.* [tempto, Lat. tenter, Fr.]  
1. To solicit to ill; to incite by presenting some pleasure or  
advantage to the mind; to entice.  
'Tis not the king that sends you to the Tower:  
My lady Gray tempts him to this harsh extremity. *Shak.*  
You ever gentle gods, take my breath from me;  
Let not my worser spirit tempt me again  
To die before you please. *Shaksp. King Lear.*  
Come together, that Satan tempt you not. *1 Cor. vii. 5.*  
He that hath not wholly subdued himself, is quickly tempt-  
ed and overcome in small things. *Bishop Taylor.*  
Fix'd on the fruit the gaz'd, which to behold  
Might tempt alone. *Milton.*  
The devil can but tempt and deceive; and if he cannot  
destroy to, his power is at an end. *South.*  
O wretched maid!  
Whole roving fancy would resolve the fame  
With him, who next should tempt her easy fame. *Prior.*
2. To provoke.  
I'm much too vent'rous  
In tempting of your patience. *Shaksp. Henry VIII.*  
With-hold  
Your talons from the wretched and the bold;  
Tempt not the brave and needy to despair:  
For, though your violence shou'd leave 'em bare  
Of gold and silver, swords and darts remain. *Dryden.*
3. It is sometimes used without any notion of evil; to solicit;  
to draw.  
Still his strength conceal'd  
Which tempted our attempt, and wrought our fall. *Milton.*  
The rowing crew,  
To tempt a fare, clothe all their tilts in blue. *Gay.*
4. To try; to attempt.  
This from the vulgar branches must be torn,  
And to fair Proserpine the present born,  
Ere leave be giv'n to tempt the nether skies. *Dryden.*
- TEMPTATION. *n. f.* [tentation, Fr. from tempt.]  
1. The act of tempting; sollicitation to ill; enticement.  
All temptation to transgress repel. *Milt.*  
2. The state of being tempted.  
When by human weakness, and the arts of the tempter,  
you are led into temptations, prayer is the thread to bring  
you out of this labyrinth. *Duppa.*  
3. That which is offered to the mind as a motive to ill.  
Set a deep glass of rheinish wine on the contrary cask;  
for if the devil be within, and that temptation without, he  
will choose it. *Shaksp. Merchant of Venice.*  
Dare to be great without a guilty crown;  
View it, and lay the bright temptation down:  
'Tis bale to seize on all. *Dryden's Aurengzebe.*
- TEMPTABLE. *adj.* [from tempt.] Liable to temptation; ob-  
noxious to bad influence.  
If the parliament were as temptable as any other assembly,  
the managers must fail for want of tools to work with. *Swift.*
- TEMPTER. *n. f.* [from tempt.]  
1. One who solicits to ill; an enticer.  
These women are shrewd tempters with their tongues.  
Is this her fault or mine?  
The tempter or the tempted, who sins most?  
Not she; nor doth the tempt. *Shak. Meas. for Measure.*  
Theic